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From: Melgin, Wendy
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To: Westlake, Kenneth; Burdick, Melanie
Cc: Swenson, Peter; Gluckman, Matthew
Subject: Polymet

I got a call from Paula Macabee. A few weeks ago she had asked Tinka for copies of “a” and “b” letters we had submitted to the Corps. I sent them to Tinka and she sent them to Paula. Paula then asked Tinka for a status of the permits and I responded by email and told her to call me if she had any questions. So she did but her questions weren’t really about these letters, they were about Polymet. I told her I really can’t answer her questions about the specifics of the NEPA document. She said she was looking thru the Polymet documents and could not find information on alternatives and I think she meant alternatives to filling wetlands. She also wanted to know who at EPA is a methyl-mercury expert and have they reviewed Polymet; who from the TMDL program is reviewing Polymet. She brought up that she is involved with the St. Louis TMDL or is reviewing it. I told her I could inquire about these and get back to her but she said she would follow up with you Ken. Melanie, she may call you about alternatives but may also ask Ken too. I was really expecting an ARNI question but that never came up.